

# Arkansas

## Broiler Hatchery

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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent From Last Year

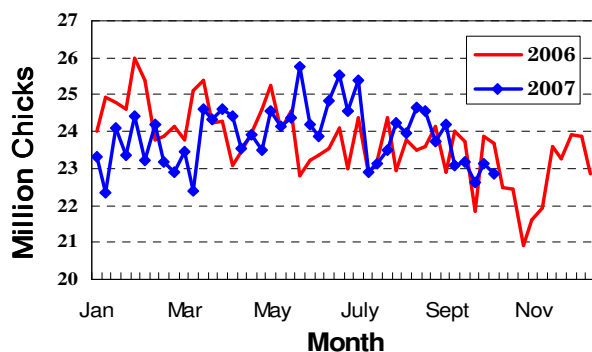
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas were 22.8 million during the week ending October 20, 2007. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2006 and down 1 percent from the previous week. Placements included 3.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2006 through October 20, 2007 were 1.0 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week were 22.0 million, up 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier but down 4 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

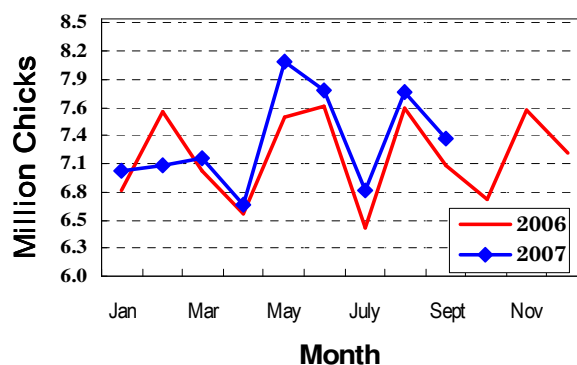
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 25.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending October 20, 2007, down 1 percent from the same period last year and down 5 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.33 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2007, up 4 percent from September 2006.

**Chicks Placed in Arkansas by Week, 2006-2007**



**U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed for Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2006 - 2007**



Week Ending 1/	Chicks Placed in Arkansas		
	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2006	2007	
	Thousand		
Sep. 15	22,924	24,169	105
Sep. 22	24,011	23,070	96
Sep. 29	23,718	23,197	98
Oct. 06	21,849	22,630	104
Oct. 13	23,860	23,143	97
Oct. 20	23,700	22,846	96

	U.S. Pullet Chicks Placed		
Month	Year		% of Prev. Year
	2006	2007	
	Thousand		
Apr.	6,593	6,692	102
May	7,531	8,083	107
Jun.	7,636	7,799	102
Jul.	6,456	6,818*	106
Aug.	7,631	7,792*	101
Sep.	7,063	7,327	104

1/ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

\*Revised

### Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, September 22, 2007 - October 20, 2007

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed					
	Week Ending						Week Ending					
	22-Sep	29-Sep	6-Oct	13-Oct	20-Oct	% 1/	22-Sep	29-Sep	6-Oct	13-Oct	20-Oct	% 1/
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>					
Alabama	31,536	30,628 *	31,282	30,320 *	30,682	102	20,803	20,039	20,316	20,896 *	20,528	103
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>27,324</b>	<b>26,197 *</b>	<b>27,403</b>	<b>26,967</b>	<b>25,563</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>23,070</b>	<b>23,197</b>	<b>22,630</b>	<b>23,143</b>	<b>22,846</b>	<b>96</b>
Delaware	3,870	4,218	3,996	4,188 *	4,188	112	5,259	4,540	4,790	4,844	5,451	113
Florida	1,362 *	1,366 *	1,344	1,344	1,364	99	1,427	1,393	1,083	1,519	1,432	99
Georgia	34,639	33,748 *	35,453	35,144	33,967	105	28,786	28,243	28,411	28,985 *	27,222	99
Kentucky	8,232 *	7,182 *	7,630	6,925	6,575	98	6,436	5,832	5,955 *	7,042 *	6,205	116
Louisiana	3,978	3,712	4,015	3,829	3,939	104	4,225	4,057	3,552	3,881	3,576	103
Maryland	8,512	8,732	8,495	8,460	7,792	92	5,408	6,343	5,429	5,709 *	5,723	89
Mississippi	17,434	17,106	17,409	17,559	17,601	109	16,172	16,586	16,434	16,096	15,846	109
N. Carolina	19,516	18,919 *	18,271	18,702	18,702	105	15,950	14,872	15,897	16,579	15,516	102
Oklahoma	6,877	6,373	6,584	6,472	6,371	102	5,619	5,097	4,951	4,922	4,474	106
Pennsylvania	4,297	4,360	4,368 *	4,175	4,132	111	3,139	3,119	3,008 *	3,255 *	3,286	115
S. Carolina	5,518	5,728	5,394	5,343	5,641	103	5,087	4,663	4,890	3,846	5,481	128
Texas	13,982	14,173	14,689	14,476	13,373	107	12,519	12,202	11,154	11,816	11,919	99
Virginia	6,223	5,855	6,264	6,324	6,184	107	4,866	4,887	4,561	4,750 *	4,560	108
CA,MO,TN&WV	18,843 *	19,573 *	19,574 *	19,138 *	18,381	110	17,748 *	16,885 *	16,069 *	16,688 *	16,100	106
19 State Total	212,143 *	207,870 *	212,171 *	209,366 *	204,455		176,514 *	171,955 *	169,130 *	173,971 *	170,165	
Prev. Year Total	207,521	203,118	205,727	203,451	196,782		173,499	167,530	164,849	167,994	165,109	
% of Prev. Year	102	102	103	103	104		102	103	103	104	103	
<b>Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/</b> .....							10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	

\* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 20, 2007. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 20, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 20, 2007 were 7.40 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.